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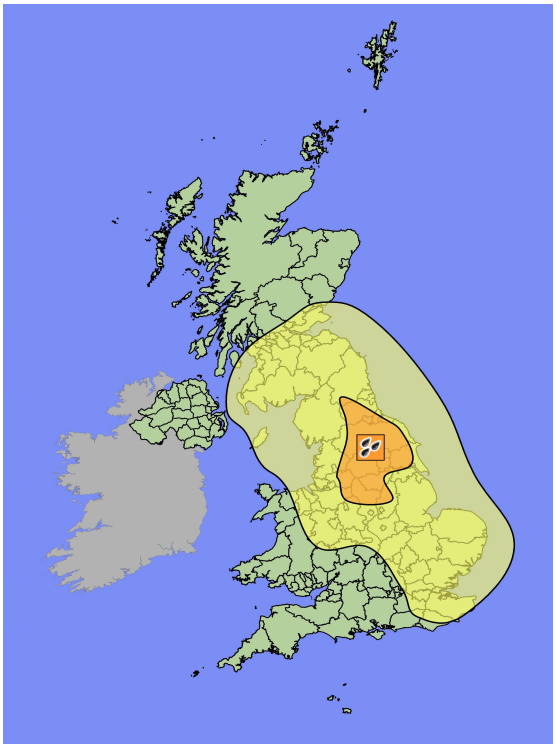

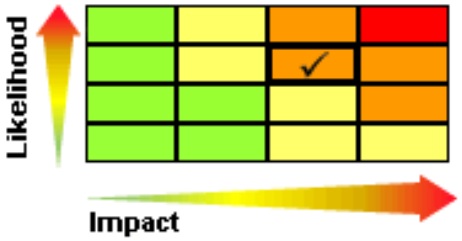

Chief Forecasters Assessment
An area of low pressure will move westwards across southern Britain from the near continent during Friday. As it does so it will draw a plume of warm moist air westwards across many parts of central Britain. This is likely to bring some very heavy and locally thundery rain during Friday and lasting into Saturday as it moves north. Through the whole two day period, 20 to 40 mm of rain are likely quite widely with as much as 60 to 100 mm possible in places, particularly on eastern upslopes of northern England. With the ground being saturated in some areas, these amounts of rain are likely to cause problems. As is usual in this type of situation there remains uncertainty as the which areas will be worst affected. We hope to firm up on the details as the week goes on so please watch for updates to this Alert.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Alert** of **Rain**

Valid from **00:05 on Fri, 06th Jul 2012** until **23:55 on Fri, 06th Jul 2012**

Heavy and persistent rain is likely to extend north and west across many eastern, northern and central parts of England and Wales on Friday, reaching much of southern Scotland later in the day. This is likely to lead to surface water flooding, particularly in the Amber area, where there is an increasing likelihood of river flooding. The public should be prepared for disruption to travel and outdoor activities. The rain across central England, East Anglia and southeast England should ease later in the day.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast_warnings.html

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